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## Architectural Review Board Staff Report

| Project Type: | Site Plan |
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| Meeting Date: | July 12, 2018 |
| From: | Mike Knight, Planner gmK |
| Location: | A 12.6 acre tract of land located on the south side of Old Chesterfield Road, <br> northwest of the intersection with Wild Horse Creek Road. |
| Description: | Aventura at Wild Horse Creek (Above All Development): A Site Plan, <br> Landscape Plan, Lighting Plan, Architectural Elevations and Architect's <br> Statement of Design for a 12.6 acre tract of land located on the south side of <br> Old Chesterfield Road, northwest of the intersection with Wild Horse Creek <br> Road. |

## PROPOSAL SUMMARY

This request is to allow for development of three apartment buildings containing a total of 169 units. Other significant features within the site include a clubhouse, pool, cabana, maintenance building with carwash, trash compactor with recycle center, and multiple carport structures. The exterior materials primarily range from thin set manufactured stone and cementitious horizontal siding. The subject site is currently zoned "R-6AA" Residence District. This is a conventional zoning district that has a minimum lot size of 3,000 square feet per unit. The area is designated Urban Core within the City of Chesterfield's Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The site will have prominent views from both Wild Horse Creek Road and Old Chesterfield Road.

## HISTORY OF SUBJECT SITE

In February of 2018 the City of Chesterfield approved Ordinance 2991 which was petitioned by the same applicant for this Site Plan. The ordinance amended the Unified Development Code by changing the boundaries of a "PC\&R" Planned Commercial Residential District, a "C8" Planned Commercial District and a "LLR" Large Lot Residential District to one "R-6AA" Residence District. The areas amended were previously zoned "PC\&R" in 2008, "LLR" in the early 2000s, and "C8" by St. Louis County prior to the City's incorporation. The area is currently zoned "R-6AA" Residence District.


Figure 1: Aerial Site Photo

## STAFF ANALYSIS

## General Requirements for Site Design:

The proposed site is to construct 3 buildings that are 3 to 4 stories in height located northwest of the intersection of Old Chesterfield Road and Wild Horse Creek Road and roughly 900 feet from Interstate 64. Given that Old Chesterfield Road is classified as a minor arterial and Wild Horse Creek Road is classified as a major arterial according to the City's functional classification system, all facades will be highly visible from a large number of users. This site is surrounded by mostly undeveloped properties, however the mobile home park is located directly to the north. The area is designated Urban Core within the City of Chesterfield's Comprehensive Land Use Plan and has had an abundance of active development in recent history.

## A. Site Relationships

The Unified Development Code outlines specific desirable and undesirable practices within site relationships. Below is a table outlining the applicable desirable site practices within the UDC and how this Site Plan relates to them.

| Desirable Practices | Site Plan |
| :--- | :--- |
| Provide safe pedestrian movement between elements | Sidewalks connect throughout the site between the <br> buildings, parking, pool area and extend to WHCR. |
| Provide public plazas, courtyards, assembly areas, etc. | There is one pool and cabana area that is private. |
| Incorporate scenic views, fountains, public art, etc. | There is a proposed area for public art to be <br> incorporated in the southeastern corner of the site |

Figure 2: Desirable Practices

Below in Figure 3 is a color Site Plan for the Aventura at Wild Horse Creek project including amenities such as a trail shelter, bike lane, and proposed public art.


Figure 3: Color Site Plan

## B. Circulation System and Access

The subject site will be served by one point of full access off of Wild Horse Creek Road (WHCR) which is a major arterial roadway, owned and operated by St. Louis County, and currently has a speed limit of 40 MPH . There will be a westbound right-turn lane to accommodate the proposed full access drive with on-street bicycle accommodations designated along WHCR. A sidewalk is proposed along both WHCR and Old Chesterfield Road (OCR). There is one pedestrian entrance by a sidewalk to the east of the vehicular access point. Internally there is pedestrian infrastructure that connects all the buildings, pool, trash, and BBQ areas.

Parking exists mostly between the buildings and to the northwest of the buildings. There are 16 carports totaling 120 of the proposed 296 spaces or roughly $41 \%$ of the overall. No parking is located along the WHCR frontage. Approximately 29 are located along the OCR frontage.

To the western edge of the site is a dedicated easement for the future Riparian Trail. This can be seen on figure 3 directly above the " $A$ ". The $A$ is referencing a future Trail Shelter. This shelter will contain seating, a bike rack, and an overhang to shelter from some of the elements. This also contributes to the multi-modal component referenced in the Urban Core Land Use designation that will be covered later in this report.

## C. Topography and Retaining Walls

The site generally consists of one large hill in which there will be an abundance of cut and fill required with the project. There will be multiple retaining walls within this project, some of which will be quite prominent and in the general public's view point when traveling along WHCR and OCR.

Figure 4 to the right demonstrates the current grade of the site. There is approximately anywhere from 28 ' to $68^{\prime}$ in grade change from the perimeter boundaries to the hill's apex. The proposal is to lower the grade of the center of the site creating a flattened area with a finished grade for the parking and structures which is roughly in between 522'-528'. Every side will have a retaining wall present.

The most visible retaining walls will be a triple tiered mosaic block. Along WHCR there is a mosaic wall with a maximum height of $13^{\prime}$ (max tier $5^{\prime}$ ). There is also a triple tiered mosaic block retaining wall along OCR with a maximum height of $30^{\prime}$ (max tier $7^{\prime}$ ). An example of the mosaic retaining wall can be seen in Figure 5 to the right. The northwest corner of the site will contain a standard versa-lok retaining wall with a maximum height of 19 ', located along the tree preservation area, and will be screened from public view. The retaining walls will be constructed of modular block and with a stone


Figure 4: Current Site Grade


Figure 5: Mosaic Retaining Wall type finish that will be similar to the stone of the buildings.

## General Requirements for Building Design:

This request is to allow for development of three apartment buildings containing a total of 169 units. Other significant features within the site include a clubhouse, pool, cabana, maintenance building with carwash, trash compactor with recycle center, and multiple carport structures.

## D. Scale, Design, Materials, and Color

The maximum building height for any building is 57' which occurs where Building 1 has 4 stories. Generally the buildings are 3 stories in height and 48 ' tall. All of the buildings contain pitched roofs. The building facades employ horizontal banding and material change. Balcony elements and other building offsets occur at each unit which allows for visual breaks along the building elevations.

The exterior materials for most structures consist of thin set manufactured stone, cementitious horizontal siding, stucco, and roofs consisting of driftwood color architectural asphalt shingles. The applicant provided color


Figure 6: Color Samples samples and corresponding use seen in Figure 6. A more detailed look at the reasoning or intent behind the color use can be located in the color scheme section of the applicant's attached packet.

All of the color elevations are attached. Below are two prominent elevations from Building 2 that will be seen from both WHCR and OCR that exhibit the scale, design, materials, and color referenced above. Each building elevation is consistent in material and color.


Figure 7: Buildings 2 along WHCR and OCR

## E. Multi-Family Architecture

Section 04-01 of the UDC includes specific requirements for multi-family architecture. Provide an on-site pedestrian system with access to common ground areas - The buildings include
sidewalks that connect each building, BBQ area, trash area, and pool area. Additionally, connections are proposed to allow for access to sidewalks along WHCR and OCR.

Express architecturally the individual dwelling units within the building - The proposal includes recessed balconies which help emphasize the individual units within the building.

Utilize color, material, and plane changes to articulate facades. Avoid monotonous or institutional designs - As discussed on pages 4-5, the proposal includes color and material changes to avoid a monotonous design.

Provide functional recreation areas -Integrated among the site are a pool and cabana area for gathering. There are also 2 designated BBQ areas.

Provide outdoor space for each dwelling - In addition to common areas, balconies are provided. The balconies provide outdoor space for each unit and also add an element of depth to the proposed buildings.

Provide visual transitions between the street and the dwelling units - Inclusion of heavy buffering provides a break between the residential units and the street. Additionally, sidewalk and landscape areas are provided between the building and parking lot to provide this visual transition.

Primary Building material - Primary building material shall be extended and installed so that no more than twelve (12) inches of concrete foundation wall is exposed.

## F. Landscape Design and Screening

Several different areas of landscaping are proposed in accordance with City Code requirements. These include street trees along the site's frontage, a 30foot landscape buffer along WHCR and OCR, and landscaping within the parking lot. Additionally, at the corner of WHCR and OCR is the proposed Art Installation which is heavily decorated with small plantings. Note that to the north and west there is minimal landscaping as this is the entire preservation area.

All mechanical units will be on the ground around the buildings and screened by plantings. An exhibit


Figure 8: Mechanical Screening of this screening can be seen in Figure 8. These plantings generally consist of hibiscus, China girl holly, Henry's garnet sweet spire and viburnum varieties.

## G. Lighting

All of the lighting proposed within this submittal is utilitarian in nature. There are 117 proposed fixtures for the site and roughly $70 \%$ of the proposed fixtures are either parking lighting or car port
lighting. Each fixture is of a black finish except for the car port fixture which will be white. All of the proposed lighting is fully shielded and flat lensed except for one decorative wall fixture. Figure 9 below is a comprehensive look of the placement for all of the proposed lighting fixtures.


Figure 9: Lighting

## H. Amenities

The City of Chesterfield has worked with the applicant to ensure that the necessary easements to support the City's vision for the future Riparian trail alignment are established. This area runs north to south along the western edge of the subject site. A trail shelter is being proposed with this Site Plan that includes an overhang for possible shade and shield from rain, seating for pedestrians, and a bike rack. This produces a multi-modal element in line with the standards of the Urban Core land use designation and has been integrated in this site for public use.

This section of Wild Horse Creek Road is designated as a


Figure 10: Public Art planned bike lane according to the City's Bikeable Walkable Community Plan, a planned bike route in accordance to St. Louis County's Bike Plan and has a recommendation for a bike lane in the traffic impact study that the applicant produced. There is a bike lane scheduled along WHCR which will enhance connectivity through active transportation.

There is also Public Art proposed for this site. The applicant has chosen the corner of WHCR and OCR to display the public art. Figure 10 is an example of the public art proposed.

## DEPARTMENT INPUT

Be advised, this project is still going through development review by City Staff and will not proceed with approval until all outstanding items have been addressed.

Staff requests review and recommendation on this submittal for Aventura at Wild Horse Creek (Above All Development).

## MOTION

The following options are provided to the Architectural Review Board for consideration relative to this application:

1) "I move to forward the Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Lighting Plan, Architectural Elevations and Architect's Statement of Design for Aventura at Wild Horse Creek (Above All Development), as presented, with a recommendation for approval (or denial) to Staff."
2) "I move to forward the Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Lighting Plan, Architectural Elevations and Architect's Statement of Design for Aventura at Wild Horse Creek (Above All Development): to Staff with the following recommendations..."

Attachments

1. Architectural Review Packet Submittal

## Aventura at Wild Horse

## Creek

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Apartment Building \#1

South


West


North


East



Apartment Building \#2


North

West



South


East


North


West



## Apartment Building \#3 Courtyard Views

West


East





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$1 \frac{\text { POOL CABANA NORTH ELEV. }}{1 / 4^{-N}=1^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime}}$

## Maintenance Building




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Carport Example
Height 7'6"


## Entrance off Wild Horse Creek Rd




## Corner of Wild Horse Creek Rd \& Old Chesterfield Rd



## View from back of Clubhouse



## Breckenridge

 Materials

Wild Horse Creek Rd \& Old Chesterfield Rd

## Sachs Property



## Mobile Home Park

EXPLANATION OF COLOR SCHEME FOR
AVENTURA AT WILD HORSE CREEK
CHESTERFIELD, MISSOURI

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This new color scheme is one that combines the tone set by the community's environment and surroundings with the need for a contemporary look. The wooded setting calls to a more natural and subtle cast of colors, while our more modern trends are bringing in warmer gray tones. Mixed with our stone selection these directions blend nicely and add to the overall trend in multi-family design of creating apartment HOMES These new selections, both in texture and color add a very sophisticated touch to this architecture and will lend itself to a highly marketable appearance.

The stone we selected has a variety of colors running from tan to taupe to even more rust-like tones. They are neutral but very rich and will give a grounding look to the buildings. We always like a roof to look substantial and dark and the one we chose here is also great because it ties in some tones to the grays and charcoals, which again ties back to our stone and other colors in the palette.

For the siding we used two different values of familial tones - warm gray/taupe/tan colors that are fresh and modern but also very subtle and inviting. The darker color will be used on the main body while the lighter value will be used to accentuate the areas that come forward. This is a technique that will mimic the architectural massing while also giving the overall facade a visual texture. This allows those areas such as the stairs and balconies to really pop and feel special. The interior spaces will also feel unique and even more comfortable in this lighter color.

The trim will be a soft off-white that gives a nice transition between body colors and makes those areas that want to feel light and open much more comfortable and unique. The ceiling and window trim and stair landings, for instance, will create a nice contrast in the building design as well. This color will be closely matched and tied to our fascia, gutter and soffit selections - and will give a continuity to all building elements.

The second trim color is used as an accent color in the gables and also on the stucco sections. This color will allow the eye to round out the whole look - with the darker tones in the stone feeling similar to this selection and giving some depth to those different textures. This will also add contrast and scale to the buildings.

Our punch color for the entry doors is one that adds some real life and flair to our project. This is a fun yet classy color that will put a personal touch to these homes in a place each resident will see daily. This special note adds a great deal of value to the property. The darkest color in our palette is used on the metal stairs and railings as well as the metal canopies. This color speaks to the material it covers while giving these oftenignored details a nuanced look that rounds out our entire scheme.

This is a look we know to be appealing to a variety of residents who want the nestling feel of an inviting community while also staying fresh and modern. The architecture calls for a set of colors that have natural tones and a warm subtlety to the blend. This creates a sophisticated combination of colors and materials that enhances the architecture and gives the property an appealing charm.

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## COLOR SCHEME FOR

AVENTURA AT WILD HORSE CREEK
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ABOVE ALL DEVELOPMENT

ROOF: CERTAINTEED - DRIFTWOOD STONE: STONECRAFT - HAMILTON HERITAGE

FASCIAS/GUTTERS: ROLLEX - SHELL
SOFFITS: PROVIA WOODHAVEN - LINEN
BALCONY RAILINGS: PRE-FINISHED WHITE
SHUTTERS: PROVIA SHUTTERS - 018 TUXEDO GREY NS
WINDOWS: WHITE
POOL DECK: H\&C ACRYLA-DECK - HC141 CEMENTED DEAL

P-2 PUNCH COLOR Stairs $\mathcal{E}$ Railings, Metal Canopies

PPG1007-7 BARK High Gloss Finish

P-1 PUNCH COLOR Main Entry Doors

PPG1081-5 FIRE DUST
High Gloss Latex Finish
T-2 TRIM COLOR
Shake Siding Gables, Stucco Sections (Bldg 3), Storage Doors
PPG1008-5 ROLLER COASTER
Satin Finish
T-1 TRIM COLOR All Trim, Ceilings, Balcony Doors PPG1111-1 PRAIRIE WINDS Satin Finish

B-2 BODY COLOR
Body Punch-outs/Accents, Interior Walls (Balconies/Breezeways)
PPG1024-4 MOTH GRAY
Satin Finish
B-1 BODY COLOR
Main Body
PPG1007-4 HOT STONE Satin Finish

All Paint Colors by PPG PAINTS


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## Retaining Walls



Retaining Wall in Rear of Site (Gray)



# Wild Horse Creek \& Old Chesterfield Rd Entrance Monument 



Riparian Trail Shelter \& Bike Rack
(actual will have seating for 2)




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## Architect's Statement of Design

## 6/1/18

Project: Aventura at Wild Horse Creek Apartment Project
Location: Northwest Quadrant of the Wild Horse Creek Road and Old Chesterfield Road Intersection, Chesterfield, MO.

## Project Overview:

The project contains three apartment buildings containing a total of 169 units. Site amenities will include the following: Clubhouse that is integral with apartment Building 3, pool, pool cabana, maintenance building with carwash, trash compactor with recycle center, and carport structures.

## Site Access:

The site has one point of access off Wild Horse Creek Road. The boulevard entry drive aligns with an existing curb cut that is on an axis that centers on the clubhouse in Building 3. The parking is generally centralized in the interior of the site and loops around Building 3 which allows for improved traffic flow. Apartment buildings screen the majority of the parking from the adjacent public right of ways. The parking area located at the northeast part of the site will be screened from off-site traffic by a substantial existing tree line. There is a public sidewalk along both public roads. The sidewalk at Wild Horse Creek ties to the interior sidewalks of the site. There is an accessible route that connects all buildings and amenities throughout the site.

## Topography:

The existing topography is extensive with over 70' of change with the high point located near the center of the site. The proposal is to lower the grade at the center of the site creating a flattened area for the proposed structures. Even so, there will be the need for retaining walls at the perimeter of the site. The triple tiered mosaic block retaining wall shown at Building 1 along Wild Horse Creek Road has a maximum height of $13^{\prime}$ (max tier $5^{\prime}$ high). Building 1 also incorporates a retaining wall within the building creating a walk-out basement condition (this side of the building is 4 stories) facing west. The triple tiered mosaic block retaining wall along Old Chesterfield Road has a maximum of $20^{\prime}$ height (max tier 7 ' high). The standard versa-lok retaining wall at the NW corner of the site is a maximum of 19' height is located along the tree preservation area and screened from the public view. The retaining walls will be constructed of modular block and with a stone type finish that will complement the stone on the Buildings. The retaining walls will be required to be engineered with sealed drawings provided by the supplier.

## Building Design:

## Scale:

The proposed apartment buildings are 3 -story in height with pitched roofs. Building 1 contains a section at the west side that is 4 -story with east side being 3 -story. This is typically called a three / four split building. The maximum height of Building 1 is $57^{\prime}$ ( 4 -story side) and Buildings 2 and 3 are $48^{\prime}$. The building facades employ horizontal banding and material changes to break up the height and help achieve a sense of human scale. Balcony elements and other building offsets occur at each unit which provides visual breaks along building elevations.

## Design:

The buildings incorporate a number of design elements that lend a residential feel to the project. The exterior materials are stone and cementitious horizontal siding. Elements including window shutters, cornice brackets and pitched roofs also give a residential feel. All buildings will have the same materials and color to provide an overall sense of unity for the project.

## Materials and Colors:

The exterior materials will include thinset manufactured stone, cementitious horizontal siding and stucco which accentuate the club. Colors and sample board will be submitted by the Owner separate from this document

Landscape Design and Screening:
A landscape design meeting the City standards is submitted separately from this document. Tree and shrubs are planned at the site perimeters as well as around each structure. Special attention will be paid at the intersection of Wild Horse Creek and Old Chesterfield Road as a decorative retaining wall with a full-size bronze horse statue will be install ed. Heat pump condensers located around the perimeter of the apartment buildings will be screened with shrubbery.

## Lighting:

A site lighting plan is submitted separately from this document. The general parking lighting will be provided by LED fixtures that have zero up-light. The clubhouse will have approximately 5 wall mounted decorative fixtures to accentuate the club entry. All site lighting will meet the Lighting Standards as provided for in the Unified Development Code.


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